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ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

Ninety-six years ago yesterday, in a little log cabin in the Bluegrass State, there came into the world one who was destined to become the mainstay of his country in her darkest hour. The world was not kind to Abraham Lincoln, yet the very obstacles against which he was compelled to struggle developed in him the traits of character that made him tower above his fellow men. By the open grave of his mother, in the forest hewing the rails for the fences on his father's farm, in his struggling law practice and his political campaigns he developed that sterling manhood and that self-reliance whereby he was able to lead when all others had signally failed. For over four years he alone wielded a power more despotic than that of any potentate of earth. Armies were at his sole command, the revenues of the nation were practically at his disposal, by the proclamation of martial law he might deprive the people of any State or every constitutional right, yet in his hands the destiny of the nation was absolutely safe. Surrounded by counselors in whose advice he could put but little faith, few knew then how many of the battles of the greatest civil struggle the world has seen were fought out in the dead of night by the pale, careworn man who paced the White House halls. What Lincoln did for America and for the world we are but beginning to appreciate. His was a life that has stood the severest tests. A grateful nation will ever be proud to count him among those who truly "gave their last full measure of devotion" that she might survive to fulfill her divinely appointed destiny, the regeneration of the world—the uplifting of mankind.

Referring to the proposal of white barbers to ask the Legislature for the imposition of a \$50 annual license fee on each shop, the Hawaii Shingo argues that its intent of shutting out the Japanese barbers is neither good nor fair. The paper argues that most of the patrons of the Japanese shops are Japanese or Hawaiian and white laborers, men who cannot afford twenty-five cents for a shave. It claims that these men are entitled to the cheaper service they get from the Japanese, who do not seriously compete with the white barbers owing to the prices the latter charge. The Shingo goes on to advocate a law to enforce sanitary regulations for barber shops, quoting the example set in Tokyo. There the law compels a barber to disinfect all his implements before each customer is served, which must be done in presence of the customer and scientifically. The barber must also use a fresh, clean apron and towels in like condition with every customer. There are many things in the way of sanitary reform proposed from time to time which are less urgently desirable in Honolulu than this one the Japanese paper advocates.

It looks like a late hour to take up a revision of our taxation laws, when the members of the Legislature are assembling for the session. The best that could be done, in the short time available, would be very liable to be hasty legislation. If there are manifest wrongs in the existing system, perhaps these might be definitely indicated and remedied at the approaching session. But the question in the large affects all classes and not merely the mercantile and financial interests, so that it would appear that a thoroughly representative commission, of the best ability in every part, should handle any general revision of the tax system. If county government is to be established this year, its bearings would have to be taken into account in any workable taxation scheme.

The presiding officers and the clerks of the two houses, whoever they are to be, should put their heads together in study of the journals of mainland legislatures. These are to be found in the Government law library. They will reveal the fact that legislative journals are bare records of the proceedings, with nothing whatever of debates, even to the extent of recording the names of the debaters. Minutes of one day, taking from thirty minutes to one hour or more to read, such as the House has been indicted with the past sessions, are nothing less than an imposition.

A stenographer in either house of the Legislature is an utterly useless officer. His piling up of notes in hieroglyphics is of no service to anybody but himself. The notes are neither published nor even extended into manuscript, and are binding on no member to impeach him for their record of his utterances in debate. A stenographic clerk might expedite the work of a committee, especially one collecting specific testimony, but when one is required for such a purpose he can be temporarily engaged.

DOUBLE BENEFIT AVAILABLE.

Honolulu is afflicted with the smoke nuisance and the worst of the offense comes from the three pumping stations of the government water works. In the morning hours, before the trade winds pipe up, a heavy pall of the carbonized emanations from soft coal furnaces hangs over the city. From elevations where the air is clear the whole lower region of the town would appear to be undergoing slow combustion. The cloud of smoke from government and private smokestacks combined with the paludal vapors the doctors were discussing the other night makes an atmosphere that can be anything but good for the public health. It is certainly unpleasant and withal depressing.

Probably the government could not have adopted oil for fuel within the departing fiscal period, as no appropriation was made to cover the expense of the change. With the constant necessity for economy in public expenditure, which is undiminished, as confronting the Legislature about to meet, it is to be hoped that the Superintendent of Public Works will not overlook this fuel question in his communications with the law-makers and disposers of the revenue. As there is a loss of 25 to 45 per cent. in the use of coal as compared with oil for steam-producing purposes, no question is really left to consider from the economical point of view. The abatement of the smoke nuisance is an argument of itself which appeals to everybody. Members of the Legislature ought to be relieved of any apprehension of rashness in authorizing the adoption of oil fuel for public works, since most of the large consumers of fuel of Honolulu and the island of Oahu, representing the shrewdest financial brains of the Territory, have taken the lead in the matter. These comprise five of the largest plantation companies, the Oahu Railway Co., the Rapid Transit Co., the Honolulu brewery, the Hawaiian Electric Co., the Honolulu Iron Works and Cotton, Neill & Co.'s foundry, the Alexander Young Building Co., the Pacific Guano & Fertilizer Co., the Hawaiian Dredging Co., and two fruit preserving companies. None of these concerns would have discarded coal for oil if the step had not been one of assured economy. Then, why should the government neglect to make the big saving in its fuel bill, which the adoption of oil fuel offers? Saving the revenue and abating the smoke nuisance at one stroke would make a fine illustration of the proverbial killing of two birds with one stone.

Majority verdicts might prevent hung juries to some extent, but would they as a rule promote justice? This question would be answered in each case according to the interested party speaking.

It is significant that several districts of these islands are indebted for their first local papers to Japanese enterprise.

AN ELOQUENT JAPANESE PREACHES IN HONOLULU

The Japanese of the Nuuanu street and Makiki churches are enjoying a rich treat these days. Some two weeks ago Mr. Kinsaku Yamaguchi came from Japan in answer to a call from the Japanese of Puunene to take charge of their school. Mr. Yamaguchi is a graduate of the famous Christian University in Kyoto, the Doshisha. He has had wide experience in various lines, having served latterly upon the staff of the Kirisuto Kyo Sekai—"The Christian World," perhaps the leading paper of its kind in the Empire. This young Japanese wields a facile pen and his work has been in considerable demand.

In the present wave of enthusiasm for ideals sweeping quietly, but irresistibly, through Japanese life, Mr. Yamaguchi has been led to come to Hawaii to dedicate himself to the self-denying work of living in a plantation camp and training the children of laborers. His decision is in keeping with the modern spirit of social service which leads our best young men and women into social settlements and foreign missionary service. While waiting to go to Puunene Mr. Yamaguchi has been preaching in this city. Possessing a splendid voice and the characteristic eloquence of his race, he has been listened to with great delight. His diction is purest Yamato, to hear which to these islands is a rare treat.

Mr. Yamaguchi's messages have treated of the religious conditions now prevalent in Japan. With masterly hand he sketched last Sunday the change which has come over the Empire during the past year, telling how at the beginning of the war the attempt was made by some Buddhist leaders to associate Christians with the cry of a religious war—Buddhism versus Christianity. He showed that, although in a few places persecution resulted from this attempt, the whole endeavor resulted in abject failure even the Government joining actively in denunciation. The air is being cleared, a revolution set in. The nation began to experience the sympathy of the Christian world. As the greatness of the struggle began to dawn on the national mind, it looked for spiritual support to the Christian sentiment in America and Great Britain. In the army and navy there was an instinctive turning toward religion.

Christians seized the opportunity. Buddhists neglecting it. In consequence the spirit of Christ began to animate the nation, even its fighting was done in a Christian spirit, and non-religionists began to say, "Jesus is with us."

In another sermon Mr. Yamaguchi gave a sketch of the growth in organized Christianity, making it clear that the reactionary period of ten years ago had prepared the way for the present sustained vigor and seasoned courage of the leaders of Christian thought and endeavor. Everywhere the prominent pastors and laymen are reaping the fruits of what they term "the victory of Christianity" in the national life.

One of the interesting war incidents told was that of a Christian cavalryman who, seeing a Russian overcome a Japanese in a hand-to-hand conflict, charged upon the man, whom he struck down with one blow. The Russian, realizing that he was wounded unto death, took from his pocket something upon which he gazed with a look of intense devotion, the savagery faded from his face to be replaced with a look of calm, assured peace, and in a moment he was gone. The cavalryman sprang from his horse, lifted the dead man's hand, and found clasped there a picture of Christ upon the Cross. Deeply moved, he questioned: "Would I have turned like that to my Saviour if I had been wounded unto death just now? Would the peace that entered into his heart have come to mine?" A few weeks later his pastor in Osaka received a packet containing the picture, together with a letter, detailing the incident and carrying a gift of money to spread the gospel tidings. Such incidents as these soften the rigor of the awful conflict and direct the mind of the nation to the ideals of the Cross.

Mr. Yamaguchi will work in connection with the Hawaiian Board.

CAUTIOUS UNTIL THE END.

Ex-Senator Shoup, of Idaho, who died recently, clung close through all his residence in Washington to one old frontier precaution that seemed ingrained. He would never sit with his back to a door or open window but always took a seat or stood in a room where he could command the entrance and where no one could come up behind him. In his early days in the West he had got mixed up in one or two feuds, but being a man of the word and quick on his feet he had contrived to come through unhurt. During those busy and trouble-filled years he learned the necessity of caution. He had seen too many men snuffed out from behind not to recognize the potential danger that lay in an unwatched door or window. The habits of a lifetime are not easily shaken off, so that even in the safe seclusion of the senate restaurant Mr. Shoup always sat where he could keep a wary eye on all who entered the room.

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Calls, Loans and Overdrafts 218,564 24	Surplus.....200,000 00
Stocks and Bonds.....301,170 80	Undivided Profits.....102,617 80
Leases and Office Furniture 19,053 62	Deposits.....1,279,267 57
Other Assets.....12,292 16	Due Other Banks.....470 25
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Cash.....307,631 54	
\$2,184,345 62	\$2,184,345 62

I CHAS. HUSTACE, Jr., Asst. Cashier, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
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